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House Resolution 1350

By: Representatives Williams of the 4th, Dickson of the 6th, Ralston of the 7th, Weldon of the 3rd, and Meadows of the 5th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of Mr. Dual Broadrick and dedicating a road in his honor; and
- 2 for other purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, our nation's security continues to rely on patriotic men and women who put
- 4 their personal lives on hold in order to place themselves in harm's way to protect the
- 5 freedoms that all United States citizens cherish; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Mr. Dual Broadrick graduated from Dalton High School in 1936 and enlisted
- 7 in the military on January 19, 1941; and
- 8 WHEREAS, he served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United
- 9 States Army Air Corps during World War II, bravely and valiantly defending democracy as
- 10 a ball turret gunner on a B-17 Flying Fortress; and
- 11 WHEREAS, in July, 1944, he was assigned to the 390th Bomb Group, Eighth Air Force
- stationed in England, and on November 30th of that year, on a mission to bomb Merseburg,
- 13 Germany, Mr. Broadrick's plane was shot down, forcing him to parachute into enemy
- 14 territory; and
- 15 WHEREAS, he was taken as a prisoner of war and after several moves to different camps,
- 16 he was placed in the permanent POW camp at Staffelstein, which was liberated five months
- 17 after his capture on April 29, 1945; and
- 18 WHEREAS, respected and admired by the people of Whitfield County, Mr. Broadrick was
- 19 elected to serve as Clerk of the Superior Court of Whitfield County in 1964; and
- 20 WHEREAS, for 20 years, Mr. Broadrick served as an honest and dedicated public servant
- 21 who strove for excellence in all his endeavors and whose primary concern was the fair and
- 22 impartial administration of justice; and

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23 WHEREAS, he was known as a clear thinker and hard worker, as a man whose strong

- 24 convictions were supported by meticulous research and careful consideration, and as an
- equitable, impartial leader whose decisions were governed by the rules of honesty and fair
- 26 play; and
- 27 WHEREAS, upon his retirement from public service, Mr. Broadrick became a gentleman
- 28 farmer, enjoying the company of his family and friends until his passing on August 20, 2008,
- 29 at the age of 92; and
- 30 WHEREAS, Mr. Broadrick's life story of strength, courage, service, and perseverance serves
- 31 as an inspiration to all Georgians and is worthy of recognition.
- 32 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
- 33 GEORGIA that the members of this body honor the life and service of Mr. Dual Broadrick
- 34 and dedicate the portion of SR 201 from the intersection at Rocky Face with US 76/41 south
- 35 to the Walker County line as the Dual Broadrick Memorial Highway.
- 36 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Transportation is authorized and
- 37 directed to erect and maintain appropriate signs dedicating the Dual Broadrick Memorial
- 38 Highway.
- 39 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 40 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of Mr. Dual
- 41 Broadrick and to the Department of Transportation.